

FISCAL NOTE

SB 814 - HB 1130

March 3, 2001

SUMMARY OF BILL: Amends current law dealing with teacher dismissal or suspension hearings to provide that on request of either party to the trial, witnesses may be barred from the hearing except as they are called to testify. *The hearing may be private if the charges involve a specific juvenile and a private hearing is necessary to protect the identity of the juvenile.*

Current law provides that on request of either party to the trial, witnesses may be barred from the hearing except as they are called to testify. The hearing may be private at the request of the teacher or in the discretion of the board.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

Assumes that the bill will have no fiscal effect since there is already a hearing procedure in place.

For information purposes, in the Shelby County schools, there has been one teacher dismissal hearing and one teacher suspension hearing in the past three years.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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